Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

1934 Schindel, G.L.

Narrative Report: Fort Frederick State Park #1, Big Pool, Maryland.
Submitted to The U.S. National Archives and Records Administration

Library ID No: 00006339 Catalog/Shelving ID: WA 53

Sites examined:

18WA20

Research Firm/Institutution:

Civilian Conservation Corps Fort Frederick, Camp SP #1

Big Pool, MD

Project Details:

Phase II

Phase III

Project Justification:

This work was undertaken as part of a CCC Depression era relief project. The larger project involved restoration of the Fort Walls and Barracks, but prior to the onset of construction work, CCC district officers made an effort at archeological data recovery. The work (and particularly the reporting of it) that was performed was

inadequate, but typical of the era in which it was performed.

MAC Accession: 1976.007, 1977.005

Project Objectives:

-Recovery of materials that are of significant interpretive value (particularly those related to military activities).

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18WA20.

REPORT INFORMATION:

1970 Bastian, T.

Tentative Program for Archeological Research at Fort Frederick, MD.

Library ID No: 00006348 Catalog/Shelving ID: WA 46

Sites examined:

18WA20

Research Firm/Institutution:

Division of Archeology, MD Geological Survey Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Project Details:

Phase I

Project Justification

Phase III X

This work is a proposal for archeological and historical research to be conducted in concert with additional reconstructive efforts at Fort Frederick. By the time this proposal was written, the site had become a significant tourist destination and the program of ongoing research and reconstruction efforts were deemed necessary to avoid serious misrepresentations of history, destruction of historical and material resources, and to ensure prudent use of public funds.

Project Objectives:

Review previous archaeological projects conducted at the site.

-Provide direction for future excavation efforts in advance of planned reconstruction efforts at the site.

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18WA20.

REPORT INFORMATION:

1975 Liesenbein, W.

Report on the Preliminary Archaeological Investigation of the Southwest and Northeast Bastions of Fort Frederick Conducted in October 1973.

Library ID No: 00006307 Catalog/Shelving ID: WA 11

Research Firm/Institutution:

Division of Archeology, MD Geological Survey Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Sites examined:

Project Details:

Phase I

Project Justification:

Phase III

This work was undertaken to supplement interpretation of the site. This work was in line with the State Archeologist's proposal concerning an ongoing archeological program of research at the site. By the time this work was performed, the site had become a

significant tourist destination and the program of ongoing research was deemed necessary to avoid serious misrepresentations of history and destruction of historical and material resources.

MAC Accession: 1973.011

Project Objectives:

-Determine if a powder magazine of 1756-1758 date was located in Fort Frederick's southwest and/or northeast bastions.

-Determine how the magazine or magazines were constructed if found.

-Discover any other 1756-1758 period construction details of the two bastions.

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18WA20.

REPORT INFORMATION:

1974 Strandberg, C.H.

Fort Frederick Photoarchaeological Study

Submitted to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Library ID No: 00006305 Catalog/Shelving ID: WA 9

Sites examined:

18WA20

Research Firm/Institutution:

Strandberg, Carl H. 2114 Olive Avenue Fremont, CA 94538

Project Details:

Phase III

Phase I Phase II



Project Justification:

This project involved a photoarcheological and remote sensing survey to locate unidentified features in the agricultural fields and waterways that surround the fort. This work was undertaken to supplement interpretative efforts at the historic park and was in line with the State Archeologist's proposal concerning an ongoing archeological program of research at the site.

Project Objectives:

-Locate each of the features shown on the existing interpretive park map and tour diagram.

-Locate the foundation traces of buildings which are reported in the park literature.

-Locate rock quarries and routes of communication from them to the fort.

-Locate any evidence of outer defense works, including a glacis and stockade.

-Locate the presence of any associated cemetery.

-Locate evidence relating to barracks or quarter for prisoners.

-Locate traces of a barnyard thought to be joined to the northwest bastion.

-Locate traces of earlier archeological excavation.

-Locate traces of "a fourth stone foundation just outside of the northwest bastion" cited in the State Archeologist's program for archeological research at the site.

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18WA20.

REPORT INFORMATION:

1975 Israel, S.

Archeological Investigation of the East and West Barracks at Fort Frederick State Park, Washington County, Maryland.

Submitted to the Maryland Bicentennial Commission, Maryland Dept. of Economic & Community Development

Library ID No: 00006309 Catalog/Shelving ID: WA 13A

Sites examined:

18WA20

Research Firm/Institutution:

Division of Archeology, MD Geological Survey Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Project Details:

Phase I

Project Justification:

Phase II Phase III

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This work was undertaken to supplement interpretation of the site. This work was in line with the State Archeologist's proposal concerning an ongoing archeological program of research at the site. Data recovery was performed in preparation for the reconstruction of the colonial east and west barracks at Fort Frederick in the mid 1970s.

MAC Accession: 1974.011

Project Objectives:

Excavate the brick and stone features on the parade ground side of both barracks.

Expose the corners of the 1756 foundations of the west barrack.

Expand the exploration for porch supports and other ancillary features which may have been adjacent to the barracks.

Extend one 1.524 meter (5 foot) wide trench from the west barrack to the west curtain wall.

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18WA20.

REPORT INFORMATION:

1975 Israel, S.

> Archeological Discoveries Made During the Excavation of Footer Trenches in Preparation for Reconstruction of the East and West Barracks, Fort Frederick State Park, Maryland.

Submitted to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Library ID No: 00006310 Catalog/Shelving ID: WA 13B

Sites examined:

18WA20

Research Firm/Institutution:

Division of Archeology, MD Geological Survey Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Project Details:

Phase I

Project Justification:

Phase II Phase III This work was undertaken to supplement interpretation of the site. This work was in line with the State Archeologist's proposal concerning an ongoing archeological program of research at the site. Data recovery was performed during the mechanical excavation of footer trenches for the reconstructed colonial east and west barracks at Fort Frederick in the mid 1970s

MAC Accession: 1974.011

Project Objectives:

-Monitor the construction activities at the site for the disturbance of any archaeological deposits

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18WA20.

REPORT INFORMATION:

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1976 Israel, S.

> Archeological Data Uncovered During the Excavation of the Electrical Line and Porch Trenches in Preparation for Reconstruction of the East and West Barracks, Fort Frederick State Park, Maryland.

Submitted to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Library ID No: 00006311 Catalog/Shelving ID: WA 13 C

Sites examined:

18WA20

Research Firm/Institutution:

Division of Archeology, MD Geological Survey Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Project Details:

Phase I

Project Justification:

Phase II

Phase III

This work was undertaken to supplement interpretation of the site. This work was in line with the State Archeologist's proposal concerning an ongoing archeological program of research at the site. Data recovery was performed during the mechanical excavation of footer trenches for the reconstructed colonial east and west barracks porches and an electircal line trench extending both within the fort and outside it.

MAC Accession: 1974.011

Project Objectives:

-Monitor the construction activities at the site for the disturbance of any archaeological deposits

See below for remaining research questions at 18WA20.

REPORT INFORMATION:

1977 Milner, J. et al.

Fort Frederick: An Archeological Investigation of the Southwest Bastion.

Submitted to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Library ID No: 00006308 Catalog/Shelving ID: WA 12

Sites examined:

18WA20

Research Firm/Institutution:

John Milner Associates, Inc. 309 North Matlack Street West Chester, PA 19380

Project Details:

Phase I

Project Justification:

Phase III

This work was undertaken to supplement interpretation of the site. This work was in line with the State Archeologist's proposal concerning an ongoing archeological program of research at the site. Data recovery was performed in preparation for the reconstruction of the colonial southwest bastion at Fort Frederick in the late 1970s.

MAC Accession: 1977.047

Project Objectives:

-Determine, through the recovery of historic structural features and artifacts, the nature of activities centered within the southwest bastion.

-Determine, in particular, whether a powder magazine was present within the southwest bastion.

-Determine the presence and nature of parapet construction.

Determine the presence and nature of exterior fortifications.

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18WA20.

REPORT INFORMATION:

2001 Boyd, V.G., D. Berg, J. Kochan, N.H. Anthony, K.A. Furgerson, C.A. O'Reilly, and D.L.

Weinberg

Fort Frederick State Park Archaeological Investigations Report

Submitted to the MD Department of General Services and MD Department of Natural

Resources

Library ID No: 97000549 Catalog/Shelving ID: WA 103

Sites examined:

18WA20

Research Firm/Institutution:

Greenhorne & O'Mara, Inc.

9001 Edmonston Road Greenbelt, MD 20770

Project Details:

Phase I

Project Justification:

MAC Accession: 2001.051

Phase II

This work was undertaken to supplement interpretative efforts at the historic park and was in line with the State Archeologist's proposal concerning an ongoing archeological program of research at the site.

Phase III

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Project Objectives:

-Recover historical and archaeological data that could contribute to the French and Indian War period reconstruction of the fort.

-Determine how the fort was designed for defense.

Determine the location of the powder magazine.

-Determine the appearance and function of the Officer's Quarters

Research Potential:

Fort Frederick State Park has been the subject of numerous archeological investigations, dating back to the CCC work first performed in the early 1930s. The results of those studies are summarized in the site synopsis report for 18WA20. In general, the goals of all historical and archeological investigations have been to provide information which could be used for additional French and Indian War period reconstructions at the State Park. Additional studies may provide more data on the appearance of the fort, as well as sociocultural information on the early periods of the fort's history.

In the realm of historical/archival research, the most important lead to date is the possibility of as-built plans of the fort dating to the Late 18th century. The set of plans supposedly at the Maryland Historical Society appears to be of Fort St. Frederick in New York state. There is, however, a set of plans rumored to be in the possession of a local visitor to the fort (name and contact info on file with the Superintendent of the fort).

As for archeological work, a significant portion of the fort's interior has already been excavated. The parade ground, however, has been very minimally tested. While the area may have been severely impacted during barracks reconstruction, a series of trenches excavated diagonally across the parade ground may definitively address the question of the area's integrity and the possibility of intact features. In addition, areas exterior to the fort have not been as extensively examined. Systematic archeological excavations outside the fort walls and within the park may provide more data on the fort's construction and the French and Indian War period village and cemetery which existed somewhere nearby. It has also been recommended that artifacts recovered from

